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Sir:

In accordance with the Applicant's duty to disclose information which may be material to the examination of this application, the undersigned respectfully requests that the documents cited by the Examiner and/or submitted by the Applicant in connection with U.S. Serial No. 09/633,955 filed on August 8, 2000 (the parent of Applicant's subject application), which is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/470,552 filed on December 22, 1999, be considered when the subject application is examined.

For the Examiner's convenience, Form PTO-1449 (modified) is enclosed herewith listing the documents cited by the Examiner in connection with U.S. Serial No. 09/633,955. A copy of the cited documents can be found in the parent of the divisional application, U.S. Serial No. 09/470,552.

Documents DE 27 22 241 C and DE 25 00 393 A1 are listed in the International Search Report (copy enclosed) of the corresponding European application. Document UK 1 554 225 corresponds to DE 27 22 241 c; U.S. Patent Nos. 3,845,576 and 3,903,557 correspond to DE 25 00 393 A1. Copies of documents UK 1 554 225 and U.S. Patent Nos. 3,845,576 and 3,903,557 were submitted to the parent of the divisional application, U.S. Serial No. 09/470,522.

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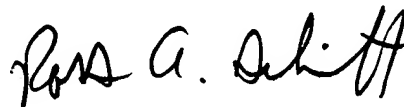
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